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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH (military)

Brig General John C. Meyer, USAF
(Rank - First Name - MI - Last Name - Component)

1. Birthplace and Date: Brooklyn, N. Y., 3 Apr 1919.
2. Education:

B.A., Dartmouth College, 1941; Air War College, 1956.

3. Military Background:

Positions Held - Commissioned second lieutenant, Air Corps Reserve, 1940, instructor, basic flying school, Randolph and Gunter Fields, until May 1941; fighter pilot, 8th Pursuit Group, until Jul 1941; fighter pilot and flight commander, 33d Pursuit Squadron, Iceland, until Sep 1942; activated, organized and commanded the 487th Fighter Squadron of the Eighth Air Force in Europe until Jul 1944; Deputy Commander, 352d Fighter Group, ETO, until Jan 1945; destroyed 37-1/2 German aircraft (24-1/2 air and 13 ground) to become the leading European ace in total victories; Commander, 1st Fighter Command Gunnery School; Assistant Deputy for Materiel, 1st Fighter Command; Assistant Deputy for Intelligence, First Air Force; Deputy Commander, Milleville AFB, N. J., and Chief, Fighter Division, DCS/O, Twelfth Air Force, March AFB, from 1945-46; 1947-50, served as liaison officer for the Secretary of the Air Force to the US House of Representatives; Jul 1950, assumed command of the 4th Fighter Group and took it to Korea in November of that year; became Deputy Wing Commander of the 4th Fighter Wing in Apr 1951; destroyed two Mig-15s while in Korea, returning to the United States in Jun 1951; after nine months as Deputy of the 101st Fighter Interceptor Wing at Moses Lake, Washington, assigned as Director of Operations and Training for the Air Defense Command and later CONAD, leaving there to attend the Air War College in 1955; after serving on the faculty at Air War College, assigned in 1959 to command the 57th Air Division, Westover AFB, Mass.

Decorations - Distinguished Service Cross with two oak leaf clusters; Silver Star and one oak leaf cluster; Legion of Merit; Distinguished Flying Cross with six oak leaf clusters; Air Medal with 14 oak leaf clusters; Army Commendation Medal; Purple Heart; French Croix de Guerre avec Palme; ~~Aeronautical Rating~~ Belgium Croix de Guerre avec Palme.

4. Previous Lectures at Command and Staff College: Class 59

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COLONEL JOHN C. MEYER

Col. John C. Meyer, was born in Brooklyn, New York. Educated at Dartmouth College, 1937-1939 and 1946-1947, B.A. degree. Flying cadet, 1939; second lieutenant, Reserves, 1940; regular commission, 1941; flying instructor at basic schools in Randolph and Gunter Fields, 1940; fighter pilot 1941 in 8th Pursuit Group, Mitchel Field, N.Y.; flight commander, 33rd Pursuit Squadron, 1941-1942; Reyk-javik, Iceland, squadron commanding officer, 487th Fighter Squadron, European Theater Operations, 1943-1945 deputy group commander, 352nd Fighter; European Theater Operation, 1945; House Liaison Officer, Office of Secretary of the Air Force, 1947-1950; commander, 4th Fighter Group, Newcastle, Del., Japan and Korea, 1950-1951. Deputy commander, 4th Fighter Wing, Korea, 1951. Deputy commander, 101st Fighter Interceptor Wing, Larson AF Base, 1951-1952; director, operations and training, Headquarters Air Defense Command and Headquarters Continental Air Defense Command, 1952-1955. Student at Air University's Air War College, 1955-1956. At present is a member of the faculty at Air War College, Maxwell AF Base, Ala. (37 1/2 enemy planes to his credit).

Colonel Meyer's hobbies are skiing, and sailing.

He and Mrs. Meyer, the former Mary Moore, Fort Lee, N.J., have five children and reside at Maxwell.

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10 May 1957

Lt Colonel Morrison
Adjutant
355th Fighter Group
McGhee-Tyson Airport
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Colonel Morrison:

Inclosed per your request are two 8x10
glossy photos and biography of Col. J. C.
Meyer, a faculty member of the Air War College,
Air University.

Sincerely,

GEORGE L. STANTON
Lt Colonel, USAF
Deputy Chief, Information
Services

Inclosures:
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